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In Re Application of:

COX et al.

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Title:            REGULATION OF ENDOGENOUS GENE EXPRESSION IN CELLS  
                     USING ZINC FINGER PROTEINS

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed December 17, 2001 (Paper #8). Submitted herewith is a petition for a one-month extension of time and appropriate fee, making a response due on or before April 17, 2002. Accordingly, this response is timely filed and reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.